BEFORE THE

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D. C.

ORDER NO. 398

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served October 9, 1964

Application of D. C. Transit System,) Application No. 287 Inc., for 30 Days Temporary Authority) to Establish a New Line, Riggs Road,) Maryland Line, Route F-6.

On October 6, 1964, D. C. Transit System, Inc., filed an application with the Commission requesting thirty (30) day temporary authority to operate a new Route F-6, between New Hampshire and Eastern Avenues and Northwest Park Apartments, via Riggs Road, in the following manner:

NORTHBOUND: From the terminal stand on the south side of Eastern Avenue, northwest of Rittenhouse Street, continue on Eastern Avenue, northeasterly on Chillum Road, north on Riggs and Adelphi Roads, west on Erie and Fox Streets, south on New Hampshire Avenue, west on Northampton Drive to terminal stand west of New Hampshire Avenue.

SOUTHBOUND: From the terminal stand on the north side of Northampton Drive, continue on Northampton Drive, south on Beacon Road, southeasterly on Southampton Drive, north on New Hampshire Avenue, east on Fox and Erie Streets, south on Adelphi and Riggs Roads, southwesterly on Chillum Road and Rittenhouse Street, north on New Hampshire Avenue and easterly on Eastern Avenue to terminal stand.

The proposed service for this route will provide a one-hour frequency weekdays, Saturdays and Sundays from approximately 6:40 A.M. to 11:00 P.M. The Company is prepared to operate the service with one (1) G.M.C. 3100 series bus, with a seating capacity of thirty-one passengers. The applicant proposes that the new route be divided into two fare zones. Fares will be computed the same as all Maryland intrastate fares, as set forth in D. C. Transit's Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Commission Tariff No. 24.

No other carriers are affected by this application. This application was filed in response to Formal Complaint No. 10 submitted by Nursing Home Services, Inc., 6500 Riggs Road, Hyattsville, Maryland. The complaint alleged lack of service in the area, particularly on Riggs Road between Chillum Road and East West Highway.

Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Commission Order No. 395, served October 7, 1964, cancelled a hearing scheduled for October 12, 1964, on Formal Complaint No. 10 and continued the matter generally until completion of this proposed trial period.

The Commission is of the opinion that ninety (90) day temporary authority is required in this particular case in lieu of the thirty (30) day trial period requested, in order to make an accurate determination of the need for service in the area; provided, however, that D. C. Transit System, Inc., may petition this Commission to terminate the above described service anytime within the ninety (90) day trial period.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

- (1) That ninety (90) day temporary authority be granted D. C. Transit System, Inc., effective November 1, 1964, to establish the Riggs Road, Maryland Line Route F-6, as described in the proposed route above.
- (2) That daily passenger counts be made during the trial period and that a copy of these counts be submitted to the Commission each week.

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Executive Director